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IOWA BULLETIN NO. IA190-9-2

SUBJECT: ECS - IOWA PLANT MATERIALS FIELD PLANTINGS FOR FY2009

ACTION REQUIRED BY: MARCH 31, 2009

PURPOSE: To solicit field office response for potential plant materials field plantings.

EXPIRATION DATE: September 30, 2010

The Elsberry Plant Materials Center (PMC) is requesting planting sites for the following plant materials.

SPECIES	MLRA	PRACTICE	SUITABILITY GROUP	PLANT DESCRIPTION
1) American Plum-Midwest Premium Selected release	107B, 109	1.0 # seed for direct seeding for Covey HQ 1500 square feet.	Loamy upland, clay upland, best sites are a well drained soil, sunny site for fruit production. Where there is a need for	A composite selection of collections from Missouri, Illinois, and South Dakota that was selected for heavy fruiting capacity.
(Prunus americana)		Seed will be sent out in September 2009 for fall plantings.	woody shrub cover for quail habitat CP-33.	One of the first shrubs to bloom with white flowers in the spring. Height on this shrub to small tree can be 10-25 feet and usually forms thickets.
2) False Indigo Bush 'Iowa Covey'- Source ID release. (Amorpha fruticosa)	107B, 109	Live plant seedling stock for CP-33 Covey HQ for 1500 square feet (3'X3'). Max 167 live planting seedlings stock.	Loamy Upland Clay Upland	The Iowa collection can be planted in spring with an open exposure to sunlight. Live plant stock 12" in height. Mature height of this species is 10-15 feet, multiple stem plant developing from central stem.

Please respond with **potential planting sites by March 31, 2009**, to Jerry Kaiser, Plant Materials Specialist, at jerry.kaiser@mo.usda.gov. Jerry will e-mail a NRCS-ECS-9 (Planting Plan for Field, Special, and Increase Plantings) for your completion. The field planting ECS-9 requests will be reviewed and prioritized. Please note that we will not all be able to fill all requests. Locations of final planting sites will be contacted.

Please contact Jerry Kaiser, Plant Materials Specialist, 573-898-2012, Elsberry PMC, if you have questions.

/s/Richard Sims State Conservationist

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